

AMENDMENT

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the first page numbered "27" in its entirety.

Please renumber page "29" as page --28--.

Applicants believe that claims 14 - 16 read on the elected species (while claims 17 - 20 read on additional species of tau protein fragments).

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REMARKS

Referring to paragraph 1 of the outstanding communication, Applicants hereby elect Species A, i.e. "tau" as it pertains to the Group VII claims.

Applicants' election is made without traverse.

With respect to the form of the application, Applicants appreciate the Examiner's careful attention to the form of the application. Applicants note that the first and second duplicate pages 27 are identical except that the first page 27 is missing the word "accident" at the end of claim 30. Accordingly, Applicants have requested that the first page 27 be deleted in its entirety and that current page 29 be renumbered as page 28. By this Amendment, a complete set of originally submitted claims remain in the application.

Further favorable action on the merits of all the elected claims and early notice of allowance are especially requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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